

SPEEDIER SCAFFOLDING LIMITED

ENVIRONMENTAL MANUAL

(Please read in conjunction with our Environmental Policy)

INTRODUCTION

Speedier Scaffolding has a very low impact on the environment and a low risk of pollution.

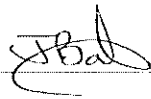
Outsourcing is not a major risk as this is controlled by our clients under their environmental policies on site.

Clients are informed at PQQ stage about the delivery of goods and the service of supplying scaffolding for site operations.

This manual and accompanying Policy details specific requirements for environmental control, but please note that SHEQ control, including for the environment is included in many of Speedier Scaffolding's policies, procedures and processes.

For and on behalf of the Company

John Bate



Managing Director

Date.....9th May 2026.....

ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Board of Directors

The Board of Directors will ensure, insofar as is possible, to establish and maintain environmental policies for all operations that may have a detrimental effect on the environment. This objective shall be achieved by:

- The allocation of responsibilities to personnel employed by the Company
- Having available such in-house expertise and external consultants as may be required
- Requiring that such training, instruction, monitoring and information is arranged and presented as and when required.

The Board of Directors shall initiate, commission, encourage and support such environmental management initiatives as may be required by change of statutes passed by Parliament. The Board of Directors shall ensure that adequate and suitable funds are allocated each financial year to allow those responsible for the environmental management programme to carry out their duties and duty of care without financial hindrance.

DIRECTORS/MANAGERS/SUPERVISORS

All company directors/managers/supervisors are responsible for the environmental safety of staff, customers and visitors within their areas of responsibility.

They are also responsible for:

- Providing procedures and instructions for safe working practices

- Ensuring staff under their responsibility are suitably trained and competent for their duties
- Assessing for risks to the environment from work activities and working conditions
- Monitoring operations regularly to ensure that work continues to be carried out environmentally safely in accordance with procedures and instructions provided
- Ensuring that equipment performs correctly and is environmentally safe to operate
- Monitoring environmental matters in their areas of supervision by inspection or audit
- Ensuring that all environmental damage or near miss incidents are reported and investigated and that investigation results are passed directly onto relevant personnel immediately
- Ensuring environmental safety is designed into all activities and equipment prior to the commencement of work in order to eliminate or controls risks
- Ensuring that employees, workers and contractors are aware of the correct procedures for dealing with material spillages and disposal of hazardous waste in a manner that is safe and environmentally responsible
- Ensuring that employees, workers and contractors are aware of the arrangements and actions required in the event of an environmental incident
- Providing adequate staff supervision particularly for young workers, new employees, workers, contractors or employees carrying out unfamiliar tasks

EMPLOYEES AND WORKERS

The co-operation of every person employed by the Company is essential to the success of the environmental policy.

The Company's environmental policy places duties on all employees and workers. These are :

- To follow the company's environmental rules and procedures
- To minimise waste and recycle waste materials wherever practical
- To comply with clients environmental requirements when operating on their premises

All employees and workers have a duty to comply with all the Company environmental rules, procedures and instructions laid down.

- They must report promptly to their manager/supervisor any defects found in vehicles, equipment or any environmental hazard observed
- They must report immediately to their manager any incident involving environmental damage or risk
- Observe all laid down procedures concerning processes, materials and substances used
- Where required, attend as requested any training course designed to further the need of environmental matters
- Observe all emergency and evacuation procedures in place

OPERATIONS

Site Operations

All work is planned in advance using site specific RAMS by Speedier Scaffolding.

All material delivered to site will be returned to the yard after completion of operations.

Yard Operations

The Yard Manager is fully aware of the risks involving the environment and ensure that waste is kept to a minimum and ensure compliance with all legislation.

Transport Operations

The company will assess and implement methods of reducing fuel and pollution with its operations by simple practical solutions. The company identifies that reducing fuel costs and pollution output is financially the right thing to do as well as environmentally sound.

The company will achieve this by:

- Ensuring that we comply with all environmental legislation, implementing any recommendations that are cost effective
- Purchasing modern efficient vehicles when replacing old fleet vehicles
- Working towards the best available Euro fleet
- The use of fuel additives (Adblue) to reduce exhaust emissions
- Training drivers to drive more efficiently and use less fuel
- Planning journeys to produce more efficient route to destination

Office Operations

Staff are fully briefed on all environmental risks (which because of the nature of the business are low risk)

ENVIRONMENTAL UPDATE

Speedier Scaffolding is responsible for keeping up to date with new and changing environmental legislation, case law and best practice (and compliance with other requirements to which it subscribes) and of supplying a full list of relevant legislation and best practice with which the company must comply. Where required due to the risks, the Company will also employ the services of consultants to provide professional assistance and guidance to support the line management.

COMPETENCE , TRAINING AND AWARENESS

Speedier Scaffolding has a general duty to employees to provide all necessary information, instruction, training and supervision.

As the environment is low risk, no separate training is required, but aspects of environmental awareness are included in relevant CISRS training courses (such as the touchscreen test) and all employees will be briefed on the Environmental policy and manual at induction and at RAMS briefings.

Additionally, they will be given toolbox talks on various environmental topics throughout the year and relevant information will be placed on notice boards.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Employees will be briefed at induction to follow the client's waste management plan on site and to dispose of waste in the correct client arranged skip.

On our own premises, the relevant manager/supervisor will ensure that all operatives are briefed to place waste in the correct skip and will oversee the control of waste transfer documents.

Speedier Scaffolding will follow this hierarchy:

- Avoid producing waste in the first place
- Minimise the amount of waste produced
- Use items as many times as possible
- Recycle what you can only after you have re-used it
- Dispose of what is left in a responsible way

The following will also apply:

- Waste must not be burned on site/yard as any fire, which causes smoke, could be deemed to be a statutory nuisance and prohibited by an abatement notice. Strict control of this is essential.
- All scaffold operatives will be briefed in the site specific RAMS to return all materials to the yard for servicing or scrapping
- All material returned from site must be separated into separate sections
- Scaffold board and scaffold tube to be re-sized where applicable before being placed in relevant location.
- Scaffold tube that is bent will be set aside in a quarantined area and kept there until the Yard Manager deems there is sufficient material to make it financially worthwhile to order a tube straightener to visit the yard and straiten all bent material.
- Where tube cannot be straightened (unlikely) then it will be cut into smaller sections and only the smallest section that cannot be straightened will be disposed of in the appropriate skip.
- Ladders will be cut down if damaged with any damaged section disposed of in the appropriate waste bin.
- Fittings will be serviced but if they cannot be serviced they will be scrapped and disposed of in an appropriate bin for metal waste.
- Scaffold boards will be inspected each time they are returned to the yard to check that they are fit for purpose. If there is a split, for instance, the competent yard operative will arrange for the board to be cut down to the next available length. The off-cut will be used as a sole board if possible (if not it will be disposed of in the appropriate waste bin)

- Where the entire board is not suitable, then it will be placed into the quarantine area.

ELIMINATE WASTE

Speedier Scaffolding shall strive to eliminate waste at source by ordering material with the least packaging

SITE WASTE

Managers/Supervisors will brief all scaffold operatives on the generic waste management plan.

- Speedier Scaffolding will create the minimum waste on site. All fittings and any off cuts of tubes or boards-regardless of condition-must be sent back to the yard
- All material will then be checked in the yard, serviced if appropriate, and if safe will be reused on other sites or skipped if unusable or considered unsafe
- In the event waste is created on site (such as off cuts of polythene), please place rubbish in the appropriate bin or skip on site.

Managers/Supervisors are responsible for ensuring compliance with all required sections of the RAMS, including the necessity of obeying any required client waste management plan, however, it must be noted that as a rule nearly all waste is returned to the yard

YARD WASTE

Waste Storage areas

Always consider the following:

- Always create separate streams for all waste whenever possible
- Do not mix different types of waste
- Locate away from sensitive areas such as watercourses, drains, residential and commercial properties.
- Storage areas should be easily accessible for site staff and the removal of waste
- Prevent waste from escaping (i.e. stock piles, skips, lorries to be covered)
- Segregate waste when possible (i.e. wood/metal etc)

What to do when generating waste

- The producer of waste must have it classified by a competent person
- In the office the relevant section manager is responsible for classifying all waste
- In the yard, the Yard Manager is responsible for classifying all waste
- On site, the relevant lead scaffolder/supervisor is responsible for classifying all waste
- **NOTE:** all operatives are briefed to return all fittings, tube, boards, beams, ladders etc regardless of condition, with only certain items placed in the clients skips

Removal/Disposal of Waste (Duty of Care)

- All carriers used to transport waste from contracts, projects, yards and offices must, by law, hold a waste Carrier's Registration Certificate issued by the Environment Agency
- It is the Yard Manager's responsibility to ensure that the waste carrier has the appropriate certification and signs any required paperwork with copies retained

Environmental Considerations (Paint)

The Yard Manager will ensure that all operatives are aware of the following: ensure that all paint is stored in a safe manner with no risk of paint tins falling over (if this happens then a spill kit must be used)

Paint must be stored on the designated storage container for painting operations. Once the paint tin is dry it must then be stored in a separate designated area for a minimum of 48 hours to ensure that all the paint is dry, whereupon the paint tin can be disposed of in the general waste bin. This applies to all similar paint products

Environmental Considerations (Waste Metal)

The Yard Manager will ensure that all operatives are aware of the following: ensure that as much of the damaged scaffold tube, for instance, is kept (after cutting down to the next available size) and dispose of un-repairable metal in appropriate metal skip

Environmental Considerations (Boards)

The Yard Manager will ensure that all operatives are aware of the following: ensure that as much of the damaged board, for instance, is kept (after cutting down to the next available size)

Old sections of board can be used for soleboards

Environmental Considerations (General Waste)

The Yard Manager will ensure that all staff and operatives are aware of the following:

Ensure that as much general waste is re-used, recycled etc, but when there is no possibility that this can be done then the waste must be placed in the appropriate bin

Objectives

Annually, Senior Management shall review the Company's EMS to ensure its continued suitability, adequacy and effectiveness. The review will include assessing opportunities for improvement and any required changes to the EMS.